

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1605 without my signature.

This bill is unnecessary. Public health nursing issues are being addressed through collaboration with the Department of Public Health and the stakeholder community. In addition, this bill would unnecessarily restrict the Department's ability to choose a chief deputy that brings the skills and expertise needed to manage a large, complex and important governmental agency.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger